



Campaign Finance—Ind. Contractor

Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC)



What is an *Expenditure to Independent Contractor* and how is it reported?

When funds are spent for professional services or for “consulting or consulting services, fees or expenses”, additional details must be reported about the expenditure (§130.041.4 RSMo.); to include:

- Specific services provided (such as polling, research, direct mailing, broadcast media, computer programming or data entry, postage, rent or utilities)
- Dollar amount spent for each service; if the consulting service or fee provided more than one type of service, the dollar amount of the expenditure should be prorated between the specific service descriptions.

Example: Your campaign finance committee paid a company \$1,000 for consulting services. The company sent an itemization of the services provided that included: direct mailings \$250, phone solicitation \$400 and fund-raising \$350.

E-filers: The expenditure is initially recorded in the *Expenditures Made* section for the total amount paid to the vendor and then more detail provided in the *Expenditure to Independent Contractor* supplemental section, reflecting the total amount paid and then identifying each type of service provided with the dollar amount attributed to each service pro-rated.

Paper filers: The expenditure is initially recorded in the *Expenditures & Contributions Made* form (CD-3) for the total amount paid to the vendor and then more detail provided in the *Independent Contractor* supplemental form (CD-8), reflecting the total amount paid and then identifying each type of service provided with the dollar amount attributed to each service pro-rated.



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